

## DAUGHTERS OPEN ANNUAL MEETING

Two Hundred Delegates Are Present at Convention in Harrisonburg.

### ROYALLY ENTERTAINED

Receptions and Business Meetings Make Up First Day's Program.

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Harrisonburg, Va., October 9.—The seventeenth annual state convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy opened this morning in Assembly Hall for a three-day session. About 200 delegates, together with numerous visitors, are here from all parts of Virginia. Harrisonburg is outdoing itself in entertaining and honoring the guests. Everywhere the Confederate colors, red and white, are in evidence. Automobiles and all vehicles are decked in red and white. At the Presbyterian Church last night, at the reception, the cake, the ice cream, and the pineapple punch all bore out the red and white effect. Streamers and bunting in the church and in the convention hall are likewise red and white.

When the visiting delegates arrived yesterday afternoon the largest assemblage of automobiles ever seen here was gathered at the depot. During the afternoon a score or two automobile parties took the Daughters over the town and the community. The visitors went through the State Normal School grounds, admired the new Rockingham Memorial Hospital, which opened its doors one week ago; took a look at the new \$30,000 Chesapeake Western depot, which W. E. D. Stokes presented to Harrisonburg, and which will be completed in November. Many of the visitors had their first look at the far-famed Valley of Virginia.

At 10 o'clock this morning the convention was called to order by the president, Mrs. A. A. Campbell, wife of Judge Campbell, of Wytheville, after which prayer was offered by Rev. J. L. Jackson, rector of the Harrisonburg Episcopal Church.

Mayor John H. Downing then delivered the address of welcome in behalf of the town of Harrisonburg. Mr. Downing, who is a son of Hon. H. H. Downing, of Front Royal, and a young man, spoke of the close ties that bind together the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Daughters of the Confederacy.

"Maryland, My Maryland," was rendered by the chorus, after which Mrs. C. C. Campbell responded to Mayor Downing's welcome. Memorial services were then conducted in honor of the members who died during the last year. The services were led by Mrs. Elizabeth C. Neely.

The address of welcome was delivered by Colonel D. H. Lee Martz, commander of the S. R. Gibbons Camp of Confederate Veterans. Colonel Martz, who is the venerable clerk of court, was received with hearty applause.

The responsive reading of the United Daughters of the Confederacy ritual, the roll call and the report of the credentials committee completed the morning session. The convention adjourned for dinner at 1:10 o'clock.

At 2 P. M. the second session was opened in the Sunday school room of the Presbyterian Church. Annual reports of the officers were read.

At 5 o'clock the entire delegation was driven in automobile and vehicles to the State Normal School, where the second brilliant reception of the week was given. Refreshments were served, and again the red and white colors were predominant. The school was prettily decorated. After supper the visitors were driven back to town.

To-night, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, the historical evening of the convention was held in Assembly Hall.

A famous poem, "Old Rockingham," was recited with fine effect by Miss Virginia Paul. The poem was written by her mother, Mrs. Kate S. Paul, widow of Judge John Paul, and mother of State Senator John Paul.

Dr. J. M. Fletcher read an essay on "Turner Ashby," which was written by Randolph Harris, son of John T. Harris, which won the prize from the local chapter in 1907. The local chapter was named in honor of General Turner Ashby, who was killed in battle a mile south of the evening was the scheduled lecture on Stonewall Jackson's Valley campaign, by Dr. John

## Dr. Hartman Writes

Columbus, Ohio, July 15.—In reply to many letters about my recent article on catarrh and constipation I wish to make the following statement:

Constipation is becoming more prevalent every day. Nearly one-half of the human family are troubled with it more or less. This fact presents a serious complication in the treatment of chronic disease.

Thirty years ago when I was prescribing Peruna every day only a small fraction of the people needed a laxative. But I have found by experience that more and more a laxative must be used.

Peruna originally contained no laxative element. I used to prescribe the laxative Manadin to be used in case a laxative was needed. This necessitated the patient buying two bottles of medicine instead of one.

As constipation became more general I finally concluded to add a laxative element to Peruna. The new Peruna is made with a laxative ingredient. The old Peruna (Katar-no) is without a laxative. On that account some prefer the old Peruna, some prefer the new Peruna.

The new Peruna is for people who have some catarrhal ailment and yet need a laxative. Sold at all drug stores.

The old Peruna (Katar-no) is for those people who have some catarrhal ailment but need no laxative.

Those wishing to procure the old Peruna should address The Katar-no Co., Columbus, Ohio, for further particulars.—Advertisement.

W. Wayland, of the State Normal School, who has delivered the same lecture at most of the universities of note in the South.

Miss Mary Carpenter, daughter of former County Treasurer E. W. Carpenter, recited "Stonewall Jackson's Way."

Miss Elizabeth Miller, daughter of Harvey Miller, the Staunton inventor of the train control system, sang as a solo "The Nightingale." G. R. Eastham, an old Confederate, rendered "My Suit of Confederate Gray." The entire audience then arose while in chorus sang "Dixie."

By request, A. K. Fletcher, Jr., sang "Ben Bolt." Several inspiring vocal numbers were rendered by the chorus.

To-morrow the reading of several important reports, the visit to Ashby monument and a speech by J. Ogden Murray will be the principal features of the day.

The convention will hold the election of officers Friday and adjourn Friday night.

Virginia Division will have a voting strength of 303 at the national convention. This will lead all other States. The total enrollment in Virginia is 8,965, an increase of several thousand.

Eleven new chapters were organized during the year, and three revived. The convention voted to petition the national convention to extend the time for awarding crosses of honor one year, and to appoint two days for presentation.

Greetings were received to-day from the president of the North Carolina Daughters.

## HELD ON CHARGE OF KIDNAPPING

Mysterious Young Stranger Is in Hands of Police at Bristol.

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Bristol, Va., October 9.—Charged with kidnapping Joe Godsey, the twelve-year-old son of James M. Godsey, a Bristol business man, George E. Skidmore, alias Thompson, a mysterious young stranger, hailing from Harlan, Ky., was arrested here this afternoon by Officer Henry Baker and locked up. He will be given a hearing next Monday.

Skidmore got into the boy's confidence a week ago and, enticing him away from the public school, carried him to Knoxville. There young Godsey was recovered, but Skidmore escaped. Skidmore returned to Bristol this morning, and is said to have renewed at once his efforts to get the boy. Skidmore, who gives his age as twenty-three, gives no satisfactory explanation of why he wanted the boy. Although he seemed to have plenty of money and paid the boy's way to Knoxville, he now claims to be out of funds and awaits the arrival of his mother.

## EPISCOPAL CONVOCATION IS MEETING IN ANHEST

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Amherst, Va., October 9.—The eighty-ninth annual session of the Episcopal Convocation of the churches of Southwestern Virginia convened last night at 8 o'clock in Ascension Episcopal Church here. Rev. Robert C. Jett, of Staunton, dean of the churches of Southwestern Virginia, presided over the opening ceremony. The opening prayer was said by Rev. W. H. Osborne, and at 11 o'clock Rev. C. A. Ashby spoke. At the afternoon session Bishop Beverly D. Tucker, of Lynchburg, preached. The convocation will be in session until Friday of this week.

## ENGLAND LOSING MANY FINE PEOPLE

They Are Emigrating Now in Large Numbers to the United States.

### COST OF LIVING HIGH THERE

Mr. McCulloch, Who Spent Four Months Abroad, Describes Wage Conditions.

Alexander B. McCulloch, who has just returned from a four months' trip to Great Britain, reports some interesting experiences in the old country. For one thing, the weather during July and August was the worst ever recorded. Aside from the abnormal rainfall, which caused much flooding and destroyed the grain crop and hay, the temperature was the lowest ever experienced during corresponding months. Overcoats, fires and blankets were constantly in demand in Britain at the very time when Richmonders were sweltering in the August torridity. Despite the unfavorable weather, Mr. McCulloch traveled about constantly, visiting the principal historic and scenic parts of Scotland, England and Wales, and climbing Ben Nevis, the highest mountain in Great Britain, as well as Snowdon, the famous Welsh peak, from both of which elevations magnificent views were obtained.

"In the interval of fourteen years since I last visited my native country," said Mr. McCulloch, "I notice many changes that have taken place. Glasgow, which has recently outstripped Birmingham in population and reassumed the position of second city in the United Kingdom, has made wonderful progress, especially in the extension of the tramways, and it is a marvel how far one can travel on this age of half-penny, or 1 cent. As the average American knows, Glasgow owns and operates its street car system, which is one of the most complete in the world. But grand old Edinburgh still retains her individuality. There is absolutely no disposition in dear old Boodle, even in this age of bustle and progress, to remove a historic landmark. The grim old castle, perched on its 400-foot elevation, frowns down on the Princes Street promenaders just as in days of yore, and Arthur's Seat and the Salisbury Crags and the Calton Hill continue to do sentinel duty over the most picturesque and romantic city in the world."

Mr. McCulloch spent most of his time in Scotland, going to the extreme north and spending a night at the famous John O'Groats House. He visited the homes and haunts of Wallace, Burns, Scott, Carlyle, Hoggs, Barrie and other celebrated Scots, tramped over the battlefields of Bannockburn, Bothwell, Culloden and Flodden Field, and climbed the Braes of Gleniffer and the hills around Balquhiter, where Rob Roy, the dauntless raider, whose name Sir Walter Scott has rendered a household word everywhere, sleeps his last long sleep. In England, the lake district, Birmingham, Stratford-on-Avon, Warwick, Kenilworth, Shrewsbury and Chester were visited, and a week spent in North Wales.

Cost of Living High.

Speaking of economic and political conditions, Mr. McCulloch says that the cost of living in Great Britain is much higher in proportion to wages than it was in America. "Much emigration is taking place, Australia coming in for a large share, while the United States and Canada are each getting their quota," he said. "There is no question but that Great Britain is losing the flower of her population in this way, and a recognition of this fact is arousing the government to activity. However, the Liberal party, in its efforts to stem the tide, is doing nothing that is likely to improve conditions and make Britain worth while for its teeming millions. Lloyd George, who is being denounced by many a man, woman and child, on account of his insurance bill—a measure so comprehensive that nobody appears to know where it stops and no two persons construe it the same way. That breakers are ahead for the government is very evident. The home rule bill is another perplexing issue that is causing cleavage in the ranks of Liberalism, and recent occurrences in Ulster show the danger of the situation. Religious antipathy was never more intense than it is at present in the North of Ireland, and a large number from that section are putting the broad Atlantic between them and the clouds that cast their shadows over the Emerald Isle."

Mr. McCulloch said that his voyages

across the Atlantic in his recent trip were memorable—the eastern one because of the imposing spectacle furnished by twenty-two mammoth icebergs, and the one coming home on account of the dramatic suicide of a steerage passenger, who at 4 o'clock in the morning jumped overboard. The alarm was quickly given by the lookout, and the ship, which was steaming at seventeen knots, was brought to a stop so suddenly as to badly frighten the passengers, many of whom conjured up visions of the Titanic disaster. Two lifeboats were sent out to pick up the unfortunate man, but as a very heavy sea was running, he was never seen after his fatal jump, and it was with great difficulty that the life-savers got back to the ship.

## WHAT IS POLITICS WITHOUT MONEY?

Question Is Up to Republicans of Ninth District—May Be Defeat or Jail.

Whether or not the Republican faithful will do battle without the usual sinews of war is the question that is agitating both of all three parties in the Ninth Virginia District, according to visitors in the city from the southwestern part of the State. Whether or not the ammunition will be furnished them is still another question.

For years, as everybody knows, money has been a most important factor in the politics of the Ninth District. From the very inception of the poll tax requirement of the Constitution its value was realized and applied by Republican leaders. At first it was done carefully; then promissory notes were taken from the voters for the amount of the tax, in return for the "loan" of the money. Still later, becoming bolder, workers paid the taxes of voters en bloc in the offices of the county treasurer.

It is equally as well known that the Republicans played this game alone for years, since the Democrats had no money to speak of, either in 1902, 1904, 1906 or 1908. Two years ago both sides took a hand, paying all available taxes which the voters felt they could not pay for themselves.

Then it was that Judge H. A. Skeen became busy. He warned the people of his circuit that future violations of the pure elections law would be prosecuted. In Wise County this was successful, and no vote buying appeared to have been done in the county and legislative elections there last November. In Lee and Dickinson the warning was disregarded, and the world knows of the vigorous prosecutions which have resulted.

Other judges have joined in the era of law enforcement. Vote buyers are to be put in jail if the statute can reach them. The Democratic district convention, followed by the party convention in Norfolk, endorsed Judge Skeen's vigorous actions. General Rufus A. Ayers, the Democratic nominee for Congress, stated in the outset and has repeatedly reiterated the announcement, that not only would he spend not one cent in the district for improper purposes in aiding his candidacy, but that he would permit none to be spent by any other person if he could possibly prevent it.

So far, Congressman Skeen, the Republican nominee, has given no indication of his intentions in this respect. Nobody knows what the Republican Organization intends to do. Many of his followers are used to the distribution of cash from the district committee, and many feel the want of it if it is not forthcoming. If it is spent, somebody is likely to go to jail. The Democrats feel more and more hopeful as they ponder these things.

## POLITICAL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN PULASKI

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Pulaski, Va., October 9.—A large crowd heard Senator J. N. Harmon, of Tennessee, and Hon. George L. Dobson, of Des Moines, Iowa, at the public meeting last night in behalf of the Hon. C. Bascom Slemmons, who is to be returned to Congress from the Ninth District. Many Democrats were in the audience. These speakers had three appointments in the county—Snowville, Max Creek and Pulaski—in their trip through the Ninth.

Saturday night Hon. Walter Graham, the Progressive candidate, and Colonel J. S. Browning will speak in the interest of Mr. Slemmons' candidacy. The speeches in each instance are preceded by a band concert of one-half hour on the streets. Speakers of all political faiths will not be lacking for the audience in Pulaski during the present campaign, in view of the interest which is felt in carrying the county for Hon. Rufus Ayers.

# AUCTION SALE OF RED POLL CATTLE

Virginia Fair Grounds, Friday, 11 A. M.

30 HEAD TO GO TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER

Curl's Neck Farm—Ivanhoe Stock Farm

## News of Petersburg

Times-Dispatch Bureau.

5 Bollingbrook Street.

Petersburg, Va., October 9.

The special meeting of the board of directors of the Central State Hospital was held at that institution this afternoon, routine business being mostly transacted. Many improvements are in progress and in contemplation at the hospital.

Seeking for Site.

The Council some time ago appropriated \$2,000 for the erection of a smallpox hospital. The building will probably be located on the almshouse tract, the spot to be selected by the joint Committee on Health and Public Property. The proposition is to erect a brick building instead of a place frame one, in which case a larger appropriation would be needed.

Going to the Far West.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Hicks, formerly of North Dakota, but for several years past residents of Chesterfield County, near this city, left last night for Portland, Ore., to live in future with their son, Mr. Hicks is a Union veteran, but has frequently fraternized with the Confederate veterans in their meetings.

Funeral of Miss Bolling.

The funeral of Miss Melville Bolling, whose death occurred at "Ravensworth," Fairfax County, took place this afternoon from Tabb Street Presbyterian Church, of which she was

long a member. Among those in attendance were her sister, Mrs. W. H. F. Lee, and her nephew, Colonel Robert E. Lee, grandson of the great Confederate leader.

Four enlisted men of this city have enlisted in the United States Navy since the recruiting office was opened here a few days ago. There have been many applicants for enlistment, but only four were accepted. Chief Golden will open a recruiting office at Emporia for the convenience of young men in that section who desire to enlist.

Pythian Initiation.

At the meeting of Naomi Lodge, Knights of Pythias, last week a very large class of candidates were initiated in the first degree of the order. To-morrow night this class will be carried through the second degree by an experienced team, and a record-breaking attendance of members is expected.

General News Notes.

Manager J. M. Ruffin, of the Petersburg Fair, was in Richmond yesterday, and secured many of the exhibits, including horses of the State Fair for the Petersburg exhibition next week.

Mrs. Bernard Mann, who has been ill, is reported better to-day.

Charles F. Grosman, of Chesterfield County, near this city, has a four-acre field in corn which is expected to yield 350 bushels.

## DIVORCE COURT FOR ALMA GLUCK

Local Favorite of Favorites Has Gone the Way of Most Famous Artists.

Madame Alma Gluck, the favorite of favorites among the music lovers of Richmond, has gone the way of most famous artists and landed in the divorce courts. When the great singer was here last winter it was whispered that a suit for divorce would be brought.

A telegram from New York has this to say regarding the separation:

There was commotion to-day in artistic, musical and dramatic circles following announcement that Mme. Alma Gluck, of the Metropolitan Opera House Company, had sought a permanent severing of her domestic ties, through the divorce courts. Friends, however, declared that the action was not unexpected.

In this case the husband occupies the tragic role of "excess baggage" in the parlance of Broadway. As an insurance salesman he proved a very successful husband to a pretty, vivacious young wife, who had never entered a theatre until she was married. With their baby girl, Abigail, they had a charming home.

But during the season of 1910 Mme. Gluck, the young matron, was "discovered" by the operatic managers and praised by the critics. Fame pounced upon her after the initial appearance at the New Theatre in the role of Sophie in Massenet's "Werther."

For almost a year the young wife and mother, who was also the famed artist, apparently struggled between the dual lives. But it appears that the plodding husband, whose crown of white hair had drawn upon him the cognomen of "David Belasco Double," did not fit into the new order of things.

## OFFICER SAW HIM SEIZE YOUNG GIRL

New Kent Farmer Quickly Nabbed Before Her Father Could Interfere.

Andrew Richardson, twenty-one years old, who said he was a farmer of New Kent County, was arrested last night shortly after 11 o'clock by Patrolman Duke in Main Street, between Eighth and Ninth, for being drunk, disorderly and insulting two daughters of R. M. McGeorge, of 111 East Main Street, who was their escort.

Richardson was standing on the curbing with several companions when Mr. McGeorge and his daughters passed. Duke was nearby. He saw Richardson suddenly step away from his friends and grab one of the girls by the arm, at the same time saying, "Aw, come on with me." Mr. McGeorge was dumfounded, but before he recovered Duke had grabbed the young man and hurried him to the nearest patrol box and summoned the patrol from the First Station. Richardson assumed a devil-may-care attitude when taken in custody, but when he faced Desk Sergeant Sowell he quickly became penitent and begged for his release.

Richardson was well-dressed, and when searched a considerable sum of money was in his possession. He was plainly under the influence of liquor. Mr. McGeorge and his daughters were returning from the Main Street Station, after bidding friends good-by, when they were accosted by Richardson.

The affair being witnessed by the officer, it was not necessary for a warrant for Richardson to be sworn out. Mr. McGeorge, who is manager of the Southern Antique Company, and his daughters were summoned to appear as witnesses against the young farmer when his case is called before Justice Crutchfield this morning.

## POTOMAC OYSTERS NOT CONDEMNED

Virginia Authorities Challenge Experts to Produce One Typhoid Germ.

What amounts to a challenge to the experts of the National Bureau of Chemistry to produce an infected oyster in the Potomac River was thrown down yesterday in this city by the Commission of Fisheries, a majority of whose members were here. After a conference, Commissioner W. McDonald Lee issued a statement that no steps will be taken to prevent the marketing of oysters from the Potomac.

Contrary to the general impression, the oysters in the river have not been condemned. A report was published, stating that all the oyster grounds in the river above Blakiston's Island were under suspicion, cases of infection having been discovered.

"The commission believes," said Mr. Lee, "that an unwarranted hardship is being worked upon thousands of families, and that the public is unnecessarily scared. Because government officials claim there is a certain amount of pollution in the river, it does not follow that the oysters are dangerously contaminated. The Potomac cargoes condemned last season were of stale oysters, which had been out of water too long a time, and the condemnation was because of decomposition. This often occurs in the case of meats and vegetables."

"The government has not condemned oysters in any part of the Potomac. Its chemists have simply placed certain territory under suspicion, without any records of the past or the opinion of practical minds to support the theory that the oysters from that section are dangerous to public health, the phobias being so infinitesimally small as to be practically negative."

This means that the Virginia authorities decline to prohibit the marketing of Potomac oysters and put it up to the authorities in Washington to produce a single case of presence of the typhoid germ. Mr. Lee was here yesterday on his way to Washington to take up the oyster situation.

## MURDER MYSTERY QUICKLY SOLVED

Calf's Head, Not Negro Gambler, Buried on Nine-Mile Road in Henrico.

"Can there be any likeness between the head of a dead calf and that of a murdered negro?"

Henrico County Policeman D. L. Temple is still puzzling his brain over this question. Policeman Temple and Custodian H. C. Garrett were the only two Henrico officers not "on duty" at the Fair Grounds yesterday. Custodian Garrett kept watch in the Sheriff's office at the jail with his customary dignity and more than customary quiet. There was little to do. On the other hand, Policeman Temple had been detailed to investigate a murder case.

The murder took place, according to a story told Mounted Policeman Took, of the city force, in a field near Oakwood Cemetery on Sunday morning, E. M. Jenkins, of 316 North Twenty-fifth Street, reported. Mr. Jenkins said he had information from two eye-witnesses. These eye-witnesses said they were passing along the Nine-Mile Road Sunday morning, when they saw a group of negroes shooting craps in a field near Oakwood. A quarrel arose and one of the negroes was shot. The assailants immediately dug a grave and buried him on the spot, making off as fast as they could. The witnesses went up to the grave, they said, and dug down far enough to see the head of a negro man.

When this information was furnished Deputy Sheriff Joe Lyne at Henrico Courthouse Tuesday night, he said he would have the matter investigated yesterday. Policeman Temple took the case, and visited the grave of the man supposed to have been murdered. He found the head of a calf projecting a few inches above the ground. The calf was buried on land belonging to Jacob Pettig, and later in the day Mr. Pettig telephoned the county authorities that his calf was the cause of the excitement. The calf was killed and buried Sunday morning.

After learning these facts, Policeman Temple inquired no further. He did not want to know any more. But he still asks his question.

It is presumed that the supposed craps-shooters were in reality attending at the funeral of Pettig's animal, and that the head seen by the two men belonged to the calf.

Chief Justice of Federal Court.

The United States District Court resumed only for a short time yesterday morning when it was adjourned by Judge Edmund Tamm, Jr., on account of his illness. The court will resume its regular session this morning when further proceedings will be conducted. It was yesterday that the United States marshal, who was in charge of the case, was ordered to keep the case open until the next session of the court.

# To-day's "FARMERS' DAY" at the Fair

THE ELECTRIC BASEBALL SCORE BOARD

THE WONDERFUL DAY FIREWORKS

THE SPLENDID FREE VAUDEVILLE ACTS

THE AMAZING BALLOON ASCENSIONS

THE HUNDREDS BEAUTIFUL EXHIBITS

THE GREAT FIREWORKS NIGHT SHOW

TO-MORROW--PETERSBURG DAY--TO-MORROW